

Docket No. **112/002/CON1-RCE**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

In re Application of:

Group Art Unit: **1655**

LIGHT, Elizabeth S.

Examiner: **CHAKRABARTI, Arun K.**

Serial No.:

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For: **Method of Detecting Single Gene Copies *in situ***

Response and Amendment After Final under 37 CFR 1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Introductory Comments

Dear Sir:

This Response and Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated 11/20/2002. A Request for Continued Examination is filed herewith, as is a Petition for an extension of time to respond. Format of the amendments is consistent with the revised amendment format outlined in the Pre-OG Notice dated 1/31/03 regarding Waiver of 37 CFR 1.121. Please amend the application as follows: